



**LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FORESTRY**  
**MIKE STRAIN DVM**  
**COMMISSIONER**



**LOUISIANA BOARD OF ANIMAL HEALTH MEETING**

**January 6, 2022**

**10:00 AM**

**Veterans Memorial Auditorium**  
**5825 Florida Boulevard, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor**  
**Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806**  
**Minutes**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was held both virtually and in-person and was called to order by Craig Fontenot, DVM at 10:00 a.m.

**PLEDGE**

Craig Fontenot, DVM led the Board in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

Roll call was taken by Kevin Wofford.

**Members present:** Craig Fontenot DVM, Anna Chapman DVM, Dale Cambre, Giles Brown, Dan Cason, Vandal Fairchild, Kurt Cazayoux, Clark Cooper DVM, Rayburn Smith, Tom Early, Nickey Smith, Law Ponder, Sara Byrd, Brady Rutledge

Virtual Members: Lennie Crawford (arrived late), Bill Holdman

**Members absent: 0**

**SWEARING IN OF NEWLY APPOINTED BOARD MEMBERS**

Amy McInnis directed the board to finalize the appointments and swear in the two new members Sara Byrd, and Brady Rutledge. The newly appointed board members were then sworn in for service.

**APPOINTING A NEW DIRECTOR**

Dr. Fontenot requested a motion to appoint Kevin Wofford as the Director of the Board of Animal Health. Motion was made by Rayburn Smith and was seconded by Nickey Smith. Motion passed.

**GUESTS PRESENT:**

Brent Robbins, DVM Louisiana State Veterinarian, Craig Waguespack, LDAF Field Personnel Director, Jesse Scott Perry, Brand Enforcement officer LDAF, Tyne Bankester, LDAF Animal Health Specialist, Trent Dugas Animal Health field personnel, Baleigh Olah, Attorney for LDAF, Amy McInnis, General Counsel LDAF, Henry K Maddox, Joshua Franklin, DVM LDAF VMO, Auctioneer/Applicant, Leo Marcour, LDAF Brand Commission



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**PUBLIC COMMENT**

No public comments were given at this time.

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Dr. Fontenot requested a motion to approve the minutes from the previous Board of Animal Health Meeting. Motion was made by, Dale Cambre, seconded by Bill Holdman. Motion approved.

**OLD BUSINESS**

No old business was presented.

**NEW BUSINESS**

Three private individuals have applied to the board for livestock auction market charters.

Those individuals before the board for livestock auction market charters were Ethan Jose Deshotel, Johnny Payne and Kevin Maddox.

Ethan Jose Deshotel of, Deshotel Auctions appeared via Zoom. Mr. Deshotel is anticipating serving primarily livestock in Evangeline parish, LA, and his auction market will serve primarily local backyard poultry farmers. Sales are projected to take place the first Saturday of every month. Mr. Deshotel has provided all necessary paperwork, fees, bond, and photos taken at his facility. Mr. Deshotel has met the standards set by the board at this time. A motion to approve the charter for Ethan Jose Deshotel pending his inspection of his facilities is made by Law Ponder, the motion is seconded by Rayburn Smith. Motion passed.

Johnny Payne appeared in person. Mr. Payne has provided all necessary documentation, fees, bond, and photos taken at the facility. Motion is made by Law Ponder to approve the market charter for Mr. Johnny Payne. Motion is seconded by Bill Holdman. Motion passed.

Kevin Maddox of River Runs Auction appeared in person before the Board. Mr. Maddox leases the facility (Tiger Lake Livestock), but the owners of Tiger Lake Livestock will maintain the facility Scott Perry with LDAF Brand Enforcement has verified that the building is under lease to Mr. Maddox and is actively being used as an intended auction facility. Mr. Maddox has provided all necessary documentation, fees, bond, and photos taken at the facility. Furthermore, Mr. Maddox has met the standards set by the Board at this time.

Motion is made by Nickey Smith to approve the market charter for River Runs Auction. Motion is seconded by Dale Cambre. Motion passed.

**ADJUDICATORY HEARING**

Ray Dunbar AH 21-01: Per the request of the respondent, and as directed by the Louisiana Attorney General's office, the adjudicatory hearing for Ray Dunbar was continued to the next Board of Animal Health meeting.

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**GENERAL COUNSEL REMARKS**

LDAF General Counsel, Amy McInnis, asks that all Board members please complete their Sexual Harassment web-based training and to send her the certificate of completion once the training has been successfully completed.

**NEXT MEETING**

April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Public Comment**

No public comments were made at this time.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion was made by Dale Cambre to adjourn the meeting and is seconded by Giles Brown. Motion passed.  
The meeting was adjourned at 11:35 pm.

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